A.—(1) to (3) Up to the 22nd January 1923—the date fixed by the Select Committee for the receipt of representations about the Bill—249 representations were received. It is not possible to classify these according as they are in favour or against the Bill as in many cases the same representation is in favour of some provisions of the Bill and against others. It is difficult to say whether representations are on behalf of mutts or not, but the number of representations which are clearly headed as from or on behalf of a mutt or a matadhipati is 27.

(4) Twenty-six sets of witnesses offered themselves for examination.

(5) Twelve were selected for examination but one of these did not appear to give evidence.

Murder cases committed and detected in the Presidency.

902 *Q.*—Mr. A. T. PALMER: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state for the year 1921–22 the number of murder cases, the number detected and punished in the Madras Presidency?

A.—The attention of the hon. Member is invited to statement A in Appendix A, and paragraph 15 of the Police Administration Report for the year 1921 and paragraph 14 of the High Court's Review of the Criminal Statistics for 1921. Figures for 1922 are not yet available.

Improvement of religious and charitable endowments.

903 *Q.*—Rao Bahadur M. C. RAJA: Will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to lay on the table all the Bills considered by the Government from 1850 till now regarding the improvement of the religious and charitable endowments and trusts?

A.—The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the Bills published in the *Fort St. George Gazette* at the following pages:—

(1) Pages 1–3 of the *Fort St. George Gazette* Supplement, dated 31st March 1896.

(2) Pages 1–3 of the *Fort St. George Gazette* Supplement, dated 13th April 1897.

(3) Pages 101–103 of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, Part III, dated 30th September 1919.

Mamul wet survey operations.

904 *Q.*—Rao Bahadur M. C. RAJA: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) when the mamul wet survey operations were started in Tanjore and Trichinopoly districts;

(*b*) when they were closed and why; and

(*c*) the net recurring gain that accrued to the Government from the mamul wet survey operations in Tanjore and Trichinopoly districts by levying fasaljasti and water-rates in respect of non-mamul wet areas in the whole inam and zamindari villages of these districts?